

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception EYFS have had a busy start to the Summer term focusing on the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. The pupils helped Mrs Guest read the story and were all confident to order and discuss the story. We have also been thinking about healthy living and eating and discussing which foods we should be eating more of and those we need to eat in moderation. It was lovely to listen to each of the pupils share their holiday news and develop their listening and questioning skills. Can we please remind you that we will starting outdoor PE sessions this term so trainers/plimssoles will be required.

Year 1 Bang! We are officially back to school! What a week we have had. I'm not sure if you have all been made aware, but we have found a new species of animal! Yes, you read correctly... We have discovered a Bog Baby. After hearing a report from Mr Dove about a strange creature causing mischief inside of school, the children went on a quest too see if they could solve the mystery. Lo and behold, they found the Bog Baby in the sensory garden! Coincidentally, Mrs Beardall discovered a story book which explains how other children found a different Bog Baby in another part of the country. After much enthusiasm we read the story and have begun to story map the plot to help us understand the piece of text better! In Maths we have once again delved into the world of number. The children have been counting forwards and backwards to 100, writing numerals as words and counting in 2s/5s/10s! In Science both classes went on a Spring walk to identify different clues which could suggest that Spring is here and that Summer is around the corner! Roll on next week!

Year 2 What a great first week back full of sunshine it's been! The children have begun exploring materials in Science this week linking their understanding to our topic of traditional tales. We also have been look back through our understanding and application of both addition and subtraction. The children have been applying their knowledge to solve missing number problems and reasoning rhymes. Within Literacy the children have been looking at the features of a newspaper article and how we can capture the readers attention through well chosen language such as exciting adjectives. Alongside all of this exciting learning the children have also been exploring the royal family through our history lesson. They will be building up their knowledge of the royal family members ready to celebrate the upcoming royal wedding later in the year. A final little reminder to ask if your child can please bring a sun hat in to school each day as well as either applying sun cream in the morning or bringing it into school to administer themselves. The playground does not have much shelter and the sun hats are a great relief from the bright glare. Thank you

Year 3 What a fantastic and exciting start to the new term in year 3. We have dived straight into our new topic with real enthusiasm. Year 3 are becoming geologists! We are learning about rocks. We have talked about types of rocks and their formation. This has also been the basis for our literacy work and our maths. We have all constructed graphs about types of rocks.

Year 4 This week, year 4 have had their first swimming session where we assessed their abilities and confidence in the pool ready for their formal lessons next week. Miss Howe and Mrs Tudor were very impressed with their mature attitude and perseverance in a new situation. We have now begun our Iron Man topic in literacy and have been immersing ourselves in the text by drawing what we can picture in our minds. As well as this, we have been answering questions and finding evidence. In maths we have been learning about the 24-hour clock whilst in science it has been all about Forces and Magnets! We look forward to our many exciting investigations yet to come.

Year 5 Welcome back Year 5, we hope you had a good Easter break. Miss Vickers and I are so excited to start our Summer Term with the topic of 'Ancient Egyptians'. It will be so much fun learning about Tutankhamen, Howard Carter, mummification and much more. Along with this, in Science, we will be investigating the 'fabulous and fantastic Forces' and will be carrying out investigations - air resistance, water resistance and gravitational pull. So, using the cross-curricular links, in Literacy this week, we have started the Non-fiction genre of 'Biographies', to help us write a biography of 'Howard Carter'. It is amazing to read 'Biographies' of people who were intellectual and have influenced our lives. People like 'Howard Carter', who persevered with his search to find the treasures of Pharaohs, were able to achieve success, despite so many odds, is impressive. In the famous words of Howard Carter when found the treasures of the Tutankhamen, 'It is wonderful, just wonderful!'

Year 6 This week Year 6 have begun looking at a short and amusing text called: 'The Day The Crayons Left'. We have enjoyed reading the letters of complaint from each colouring crayon to their owner - Duncan. We have also been learning about ratio and proportion in Maths. The children showed good scientific skills when making and experimenting with an electromagnet. Thanks to Mr Sanderson, we had a great demonstration of how the phases of the moon occur! The children are working very hard and we are pleased with the attitude following the Easter break - well done Year 6!

Music This term we have some exciting new topics in music! Year 6 will be learning SAMBA drumming for the first half term before they start learning songs for their summer musical. Year 5 are learning about Rock Music and have enjoyed singing the chorus to Bon Jovi's 'Livin' on a Prayer' this week ... watch this space! Year 4 will be learning about Mussorgsky and his 'Pictures at an Exhibition'. They will be using their creative skills to compose their own music later in the term. Year 3 are learning about Mozart and the woodwind family. They will be developing their recorder skills at the same time. The Summer Concert will be on Thursday 21st June. The Singing Starz, Wednesday Boys, Biscuit Band and more experienced soloists will be performing. More details will be coming soon.